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MEMORANDUM FOR: COLONEL WHITE

- 1. In the accompanying memorandum George Melcon and Col. Edwards recommend your approval of their proposal to eliminate an additional 69 positions from Unwouchered status through transfer to Vouchered. The changes proposed, by component, are shown on Tab A. The remaining Tabs provide individual office justification for the Unwouchered positions to be retained.
- 2. The recommendations made by Personnel and Security are all in line with the viewpoints of the offices concerned.
- 3. For the Office of Training, Finance Division, Medical Office and Logistics Office the Security-Personnel paper recommends that those offices set up appropriate cover for the incumbents of the Unvouchered positions. The memo states that upon your approval "action will be taken to implement the recommendations in the report."
- h. Summing up, it appears that you can readily approve this report which will:

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- (a) Reduce to the member of departmental Unvouchered positions;
- (b) Set in motion necessary action to institute cover mechanisms where not now adequate.
- 5. To ensure that proper action will be taken on the last point above (needling the various offices to develop cover programs) I suggest that you sign with a proviso that "action is to be promptly initiated to implement all recommendations made with respect to the need to provide appropriate cover." If you agree, this can be typed after you sign.

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